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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Chieko OSUMI et al : GROUP ART UNIT: 1638

SERIAL NO.: 09/675,208 : EXAMINER: S. Baum

FILED: September 29, 2000 :

FOR: RAFFINOSE SYNTHASE GENE,
METHOD FOR PRODUCING
RAFFINOSE, AND TRANSGENIC PLANT

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated December 19, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 17-21 and 27-30.

REMARKS

Claims 13-16, 22-26, and 31-36 are pending. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The present invention relates to an isolated DNA encoding a raffinose synthase having the following properties: